(d) whether Government would accord sanction to the above proposals during the current financial year; and

(e) if so, details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (e) A total number of 54 Industrial Licence applications were received during the period 1.1.92 to 31.3.95 for grant of Letter of Intent under the provisions of Industries (Development and Regulation) Act for setting up of industrial units in Rajkot, Ahmedabad, Surendranagar, Jamnagar, Junagarh (Porbandar|Ver-aval) and Panchmahal Districts of Gujarat. Against these, as on 31.3. 95, 28 Letters of Intent have been granted, 14 applications were rejected and 6 application did not require lic-encejwere withdrawn.

No Industry Districts in Madhya Pradesh

3898. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a)the names of "No Industry districts" in Madhya Pradesh as on date;

(b) the measures taken by Government "for the industrial development of these districts;

(c) the types of industrial units set up so far or proposed to set up in these districts after the implementation of new industrial policy; and

(d) the number of industrial lic ences issued for setting up of indus tries in the State after the announce ment of now industrial policy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE, IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATl KRISHNA SAHI): (a) The No Industry Districts in Madhya Pradesh are Balaghat, Bhind, Chhatar pur, Chhindwara, Damoh, Datia, Dhar, Guna, Jhabua, Mandla, Narsinhapur, Panna, Rajgarh, Seoni, Shivpuri, Sidhi, Surguja and Tikam-garh.

(b) Industrialisation of an area is primarily the responsibility of the State Government concerned, Central Government supplements their efforts, to the extent possible.

(c) and (d) After the announcement of the new industrial policy a total number of 1147 Industrial Entrepreneurs Memorandas were filed and 10 Industrial licences were issued for the State of Madhya Pradesh for setting up of industries.

Sickness in PSUs manufacturing Railway

3899. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA:
SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:
MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

fa) the policy of Government under the new liberalised economic system for sanctioning joint venture projects in the country;

(b) whether furnishing of employment data; the likely earning and product mix is essential before considering such proposals; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (,a) to (c) As spelt out in the Statement on Industrial Policy tabled in both Houses of Parliament on 24th July, 1991, the Reserve Bank of India accords auto matic approval for foreign direct investment upto 51 per cent in the paid-up capital of Indian joint ventures in priority sectors listed in Annex. ITI provided the foreign equity, covers the foreign exchange requirements for import of capital goods needed

for the project. All other proposals for foreign investment in Indian joint ventures are considered for ap proval, on merits, by the GovernmeiU under the normal procedure. Such proposals received by Government for setting up joint ventures with fore ign investment are expected to con tain all relevant information such as items of manufacture, size of in vestment, technology involved, export and employment potential depending upon the nature of the projects.

Sickness in PSUs manufacturing Railway Spares

3900. SHRI JOYANTA ROY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of public undertaking companies designed to manufacture Railway's spare parts which have turned sick during the recent years in West Bengal; and

(b) how many employees and wor kers are engaged in these manufac turing units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) As on 31.3.1994, following four Central public sector undertakings designed to manufacture Railway's spare parts, having their registered office located in West Begnal, have turned sick. Their names along with the total number of employees are given Below.—

S. No.	Name of PSU	Total No. of Em-ployees
1.	Bharat Brakes & Valves Limited	537
2.	Braithwaite & Co. Limited	4082
3.	Burn Standards Co. Limited	11911
4.	Jessop & Co. Limited	6163

Sick Industries

3901. SHRI JOYANTA ROY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the indutrial sickness is growing in our country;

(b) the number of sick industries which have been taken by foreign companies;

(c) the total number of sick industries in the country at present; and

(d) the number of committees formed 'for resolving the problem and the recommendations thereof in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) Data on sick industrial units assisted by banks in the country is compiled by the Reserve Bank of India. According to the latest available data, the number of sick industrial units in the small scale and non-small scale sectors as at the end of March, 1992 and March. 1993 is as under:

	Num-ber of SSI Sick Units	Num-ber of Non-SSI Sick Units	To-tal
March, 1992	245575	1536	247111
March, 1993	238176	1867	240043

Information regarding sick industries taken over by foreign companies is riot centrally maintained.